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**REQUEST
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Application Number	09/827,473
Filing Date	April 6, 2001
First Named Inventor	Joseph Allen Carroll, et al.
Group Art Unit	1764
Examiner Name:	T.P. Duong
Attorney Docket Number	10782-0010

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request nonentry of such amendment(s).

a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____

ii. ☐ Other _____

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☒ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☒ Other Petition for Two Months Extension of Time

2. **Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 19-5029. Enclosed is a duplicate copy of this sheet for fee processing.

i. ☐ RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e), REQUIRED when filing the RCE.

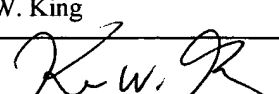
ii. ☐ Extension of time fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17.

b. ☒ Checks in the amount of \$395.00 and \$225.00 are enclosed.

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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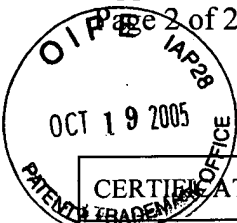
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